

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of : O'CONNOR, Neil et al.  
Serial No. : 10/723,507  
Filed : 26 November 2003  
For : Method and system for distributing contacts within a network  
Examiner : Patel, Chirag R.  
Art Unit : 2454

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 3, 2009**

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir,

In response to the Examiner's Office Action of December 3, 2009, the Applicants make the following amendments and remarks: